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CUBJ: CHAD DELEGATION IN SUDAN

REF: KHARTOUM 608

1. CHADI DELEGATION WHICH ARRIVED KHARTOUM FEBRUARY 13 DELIVERED MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MALLOUM TO NIMEIRI DURING MEETING WITH VICE PRESIDENT ABUL GASSIM ON FEBRUARY 14, CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTS IN CHAD AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION PROCLAIMED BY CHADIAN GOVERNMENT. ACCORDING TO SUNA, DELEGATION EXCHANGED INFORMATION ON SITUATION IN CHAD AND EXPRESSED GRATITUDE OF CHAD FOR NIMEIRI'S HELP IN OBTAINING CHADIAN UNITY. PLANS FOR FUTHER ACTION WERE DISCUSSED.
 2. ABUL GASSIM ANNOUNCED THAT SECOND PHASE OF SUDAN'S ASSISTANCE FOR CHADIAN UNITY WILL BE MEETING AT GENEINA, NEAR CHAD BORDER IN NORTHERN DARFUR WHICH WILL START FEBRUARY 16 AND WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF CHAD
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- AND SUDAN GOVERNMENTS AND HISSEIN HABRE, "COMANDER OF NORTHERN FORCES." ABUL GASSIM ALSO BRIEFED DELEGATION ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO TRIPOLI WHERE LIBYANS AGREED TO HELP ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION IN CHAD. ABUL GASSIM EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF RESUMING NIGER TALKS BETWEEN LIBYAN AND CHADI FOREIGN MINISTERS.
3. DELEGATION FROM CHAD WAS HEADED BY "CAPTAIN LASSO,

MEMBER OF HIGHER MILITARY COUNCIL AND MINISTER OF EDUCATION, AND INCLUDED MAJOR MAHMOUD ABDEL RAHMEN, MEMBER OF HIGHER MILITARY COUNCIL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE." CHADI AMBASSADOR IN KHARTOUM AND SUDANESE AMBASSADOR IN NDJAMENA ATTENDED WITH IZZ EL DIN HAMID, STATE MINISTER IN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

4. COMMENT: ABUL GASSIM HELD MEETING WITH AFRICAN AMBASSADORS IN KHARTOUM FEBRUARY 14 TO BRIEF THEM ON SUDANESE PARTICIPATION IN CHADIAN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MALLOUM AND REBEL FACTIONS. MEETING WAS HELD IN FOREIGN MINISTRY IN PRESENCE OF FRANCIS DENG, MINSTATE FONAFFAIRS. ABUL GASSIM TOLD AFRICAN AMBASSADORS OF LIBYAN WILLINGNESS TO AID RECONCILIATION IN CHAD. HE SAID SUDAN IS SUPPORTING MEETING IN NIGER BETWEEN FOREIGN MINISTERS OF CHAD AND LIBYA AND ASKED THAT AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS BE INFORMED OF SUDANESE RECONCILIATION EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF CHAD. ABUL GASSIM HAD MADE SIMILAR PITCH TO ARAB AMBASSADORS IN KHARTOUM ON FEBRUARY 11 (REFTEL).
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